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Sir:

In reference to the above-identified patent application, the undersigned attorney of record hereby appoints:

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